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Dear Mr. ~~Henry~~
Please see that this will
is delivered after my death [to]
Clark County Court House
Las Vegas, Nevada
Howard R. Hughes

30-1

FILE
Exhibit No. 1
Carmel W. Wood, M.P.
Witness File

Last Will and Testament

I Howard R. Hughes being of sound and disposing mind and memory, not acting under duress, fraud or the undue influence of [any] Person whomsoever and being a resident of [Las] Vegas Nevada declare that this is to be my last Will and revoke all other Wills previously made by me.

After my death my "estate" is to be divided as follows:

first: one fourth of all my assets to go to Hughes Medical Institute of Miami —

second: one eighth of assets to be divided among
The University of Texas —
Rice Institute of Technology
of Houston —
the University of Nevada
and the University of Calif
Howard R. Hughes

Notary Public
State of Nevada
My Comm. Expires 11-1-54

third: one sixteenth to Church
of Jesus Christ of Latter-day
Saints — David O. McKay

Fourth: one sixteenth to estab-
lish a home for Orphan
Children —

Fifth: one sixteenth of assets
to go to Boy Scouts
of America —

sixth: one sixteenth to be
divided among Juan Peters
Los Angeles and Ella Rice
of Houston —

seventh: one sixteenth of as-
sets to William R. Lammie
Houston, Texas —

eighth: one sixteenth to go
to Evelyn Du Mar
Gardner Nevada —



ninth: one sixteenth to be
divided among my
personal aids at the time
of my death -

tenth: one sixteenth to be
used as school scholarship
fund for entire County

The Bruce goose is to be given
to the City of Long Beach, Ca

The remainder of my
estate is to be divided among
the key men of the company
I own at the time of my
death.

I appoint Frank Dietrich
as the executor of this will

signed the 19 day of
March 1968

Howard R. Dietrich

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Only few places fluoresce under UV on Q8-Q11 - EXCEPTION: lower half of back side of Q11 does fluoresce.

no watermarks or indented writing of signatures

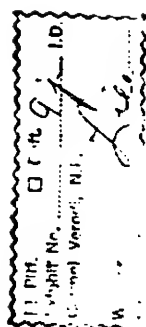
~~interests~~ Staining occurred while
page folded to envelope size.

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 8.46"

Q10 sheet of yellow legal size paper torn at top -- stained from right side does not necessarily appear to have been stained while folded.

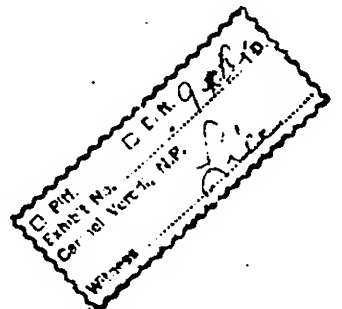
8.70

no watermarks or indented
writing of significance
OVER



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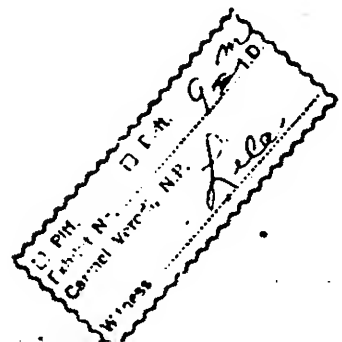
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G8 but no heavy stains like
G9 - 11



- * Q a [↓]ing [↓] always broken this way
- Chester + Bill - sometime a [↓]ing [↓] but also sometimes joined ting
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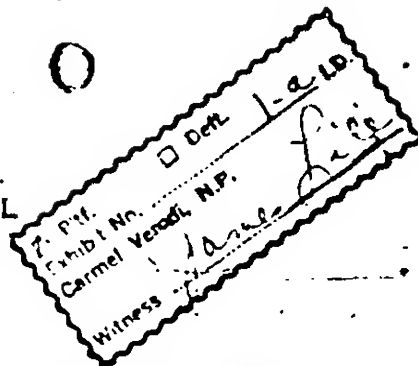
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Q m
K m

Q B
K B





STATE OF NEVADA
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
CAPITOL COMPLEX
SUPREME COURT BUILDING
CARSON CITY 89710



OBERT LIST
CRNEY GENERAL

December 8, 1976

Re: Purported Will of
Howard R. Hughes;
Melvin Dummar - Suspect;
Alleged Forgery
76121419

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

Attention: F.B.I. Laboratory
Handwriting Analysis Division

re: Our file No. 205-357

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed copies of items as follows:

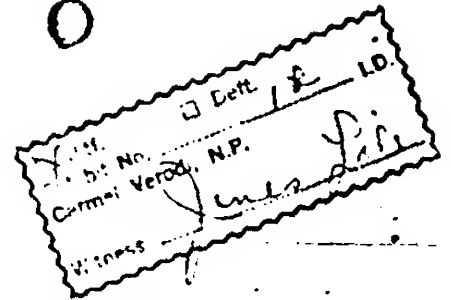
- Q A. Envelope addressed to President Spencer Kimball, and note.
- Q B-1. Note to McKay from Howard Hughes.
- Q B-2. Last will and testament, signed "Howard Hughes".
- Q C. Note to cocktail waitress, purportedly written by Howard Hughes.
- Q D. Howard Hughes' signature at end of "Chester Davis letter".
- Q E. Howard Hughes' signature on Sands, Inc., proxy certificate.
- Kc2 F. Melvin Dummar application for employment.
- Kc2 G. "House keys" note of Melvin Dummar.
- Kc3 H. Application to Rent agreement of [REDACTED] b7C
- Kc2 I. Voluntary statement dated January 15, 1976, of Melvin Dummar.
- Kc4 J. Handwritten letter to Del Webb Corporation by [REDACTED]

EXP. PROC.
26 DEC 19 1976

ASAC KentHend LV, telecalled
12/15/76 by BR6. F.B.I. AG's office has
as own matter (7012 + 1012). 10/10/76 letter to [REDACTED] 12/15/76

23 DEC 1976

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
December 8, 1976
Page Two



Your fingerprint division is presently in possession of a hard-bound volume of LIFE MAGAZINE, January through March, 1971, Vol. 70, from Weber State College, which was submitted by this office for examination, and holds FBI file No. 95-211845, Latent case No. B-38604. The January 22, 1971, issue, pages 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28, contains an article about Howard Hughes and illustrates some of his handwritten documents. It is believed that this magazine was used by Melvin Dummar to assist him in forging the will, a copy of which has been enclosed for your examination (Item B-2). Perhaps while this book is in your possession, you might be able to use it to assist you in your examination.

The questions we have concerning the documents submitted to you are:

Question, Item A:

Was the note written by the same person who addressed the envelope?

Was the note or the envelope written by Melvin Dummar, [redacted] or [redacted] b7C

Question, Items B-1 and B-2:

Was the note written by the same person who wrote the Last Will and Testament?

Are the signatures copied or forged?

Were the note and Last Will and Testament written by Melvin Dummar, [redacted] or Howard Hughes? b7C

Question, Items C, D and E:

Are these items written or signed by the same person (Howard Hughes)?

Note: It is hoped that the LIFE MAGAZINE in your possession may be of some assistance in making this analysis.

Please contact this office immediately if further handwriting samples are required to make these examinations.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
December 8, 1976
Page Three

PMI. ☐ Left ☒ I.D.
Exhibit No.
Carmel Verodi, N.P. *James Lee*
Witness *Lee*

We are most appreciative of your great assistance in this matter and the work that your office has already performed, and we assure you of our continued cooperation in any other matters of mutual concern.

Sincerely,

ROBERT LIST
Attorney General

By *Bruce Greenhalgh*
Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

BG:lt

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Duplicate letter 12/8/76 from Nevada Attorney
General

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

FILE **b7C**
LAB. FILE
12/14/76

Hon.
Robert List, Esq.

To: Office of the Attorney General,
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

Re: PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES;
MELVIN DUMMAR - SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

LAB. NO. D-761214091 ~~DEPT~~ MS

YOUR NO. 205-357

Examination by:

3/4/77

Examination requested by: Addressee
Reference: Letter 12/8/76
Examination requested: Document
Specimens received: 12/14/76

D-761222051 MS
D-761230025 MS
D-770107041 MS
D-770111040 MS
D-770117001 MS
D-770117099 MS
D-770118050 MS
D-770121045 MS
D-770224029 MS

(See attached
sheets)

Encl (21, Q2
Kc1 - K4, K8 + K12)

2-FBI, Las Vegas (UL-603)

- Qc1 Photocopy of Q1, previously submitted
- Qc2 Photocopy of Q2, previously submitted
- Qc3 Photocopy of handwritten note beginning "Dear Mr Mc Kay..."
ies and the first page of
- Qc4 Photocopies of a three page handwritten document beginning "Last will and testament..." and signed "Howard R. Hughes" on each page
- Qc5 Photocopy of handwritten note beginning "50-3..."
- Qc6 Photocopy of page two of typewritten letter bearing signature "Howard R. Hughes"
- Qc7 Photocopy of Proxy certificate dated 11/14/1970 bearing signature "Howard R. Hughes" ⁷⁰
- Kc1 Photocopies of application for employment, authorization note, and voluntary statement all bearing writing of MELVIN DUTAR ^{dated 11/27/67,}
- Kc2 Photocopy of Application to Rent ^{dated 1/15/76,} bearing writing of ^{Form and Rental Agreement}
- Kc3 Photocopy of two page letter bearing writing of ^{b7C}

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12/22/76
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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LATENTS

To: Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

Re:

Purported Will of HOWARD R. HUGHES;
MELVIN DUMMAR - SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

LAB. NO. D-761222051 MS

YOUR NO. ¹²/₁₁ MS

Examination by: LILE

(See D-761214091)

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference:

~~Letter 12/21/76~~ Personally delivered on 12/21/76 by Chief
Investigator Bruce Greenhalgh

Examination requested: Document - Chemical Analyses - Fingerprint

Specimens received: 12/22/76

Resubmission of Q1 and Q2

- Q8 White envelope bearing handwriting beginning
"Dear Mr. McKay..."
- Q9 Sheet of ruled yellow paper bearing handwriting
beginning "Last Will..." and signed "Howard R. Hughes"
(Original of Q4)
- Q10 Sheet of ruled yellow paper bearing handwriting
beginning "third: one..." and signed "Howard R. Hughes"
(Original of Q4)
- Q11 Sheet of ruled yellow paper bearing handwriting
beginning "ninth: one..." and signed "Howard R. Hughes"
(Original of Q4) dated 1/15/76
- K4 Six-page "Voluntary Statement" bearing the known
handwriting of MELVIN E. DUMMAR (Original of portion
of K4)

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SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNIT
WORK REQUEST

Request by [REDACTED] b7C Ext. 4432 Rm. 3238
 Photographer [REDACTED] Lab. #
 Date Recd. 1/31/77 File # 95-21845
 Deadline
 Items Recd. 4 letters OS - 11

Recd. by
FL

REQUEST

photo 1x1 black + whiteLATENT ☒ Yes ☐ No# Prints

WORK PERFORMED

Photographed letters 1 to 1
on 11 x 14 - 14 pages made
contact prints of the negatives

Equip.
 # Repair
 # Conceal
 # Negs.
8# Prints
24# Hours
3

Items Retd. to - date

Date Completed

Initials

Code

No.

7-87 (Rev. 2-27-74)

SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNIT
WORK REQUEST

Request by LICE Ext. 4406 Rm. 3141
 Photographer [REDACTED] b7C Lab. # D-761214091 MS
 Date Recd. 12-22-76 File # 95-211845
 Deadline _____
 Items Recd. Three-page "Howard Hughes" will
(Q9-11) and envelope (Q8)
 Recd. by b7C

REQUEST

Color object photo (both sides) Q8 → 11.
B+W shot reverse Q8 to bring up stamp.

LATENT ☒ Yes ☐ No

Prints

WORK PERFORMED

planned per instructions
from Mr. Tule.
I. f. matrix sheet
attached to duplicate
copying this req.

Equip.

Repair

Conceal

Negs.

Prints 30# Hours 10

Items Recd. to - date 12/23/76
[Signature]

Date Completed 12/23/76

Initials SK

Code _____

No. _____

Color copy shots

Vericolor type L 8x10 film

F. 45 3 seconds

Approp. 75% natural size

Postal stamps

I.R. lum

I.R. lum + black background

U.V. + #35 filter + Contrast process pan

C.P.P. 1-1

C.P.P. 250% + #64 filter

Color prints

133 yellow

103 magenta

F. 16

8 seconds

0 cyan

7-2
RECORDED
12/30/76
bcm

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

To: Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

Re: PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES;
MELVIN DUMMAR, SMS SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

FBI FILE NO. 95-211645

LAB. NO. D-761230025 MS

YOUR NO.

Examination by: LILL

(See D-761214091)

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Letter received 12/29/76

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received: 12/29/76

Specimens personally delivered by Mr. Chief Investigator Bruce Greenhalgh on 12/29/76

X1 X5 Nine sheets of ruled yellow paper, each bearing the known writings of HOWARD R. HUGHES, further described as follows:

First pageX dated "3/16/62", beginning "Bob - You ask my..."
Second pageX beginning "Then, & this might lead..."
Third pageX beginning "the treasury of a..."
Fourth pageX beginning "Bob, I have ~~not~~..." and dated "Star dust 3/17/62..."
Fifth pageX beginning "Price: 31,200,000..."
Sixth pageX beginning "Bob, several things..." and bearing the notation "received in office 3/25/62"
Seventh pageX dated "4/9/62", beginning "Bob- I have information..."
Eighth pageX dated "4/23/62," beginning "Bob-I dont think..."
Ninth pageX beginning "establish that we..."

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SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNIT
WORK REQUEST

Request by

Photographer

Date Recd.

Items Recd.

Ext.

Rm.

Lab. #

File #

Deadline

Recd. by

REQUEST

LATENT

☐ Yes☒ No

Prints

WORK PERFORMED

Equip.

Repair

Conceal

Negs.

Prints

Hours

Items Retd. to - date

Date Completed

Initials

Code

No.

ling evidence office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

Date

12-29-76

Laboratory #

Delivered by *Mr. Bruce Greenleaf*
Chief Investigator

Accepted by

SA JAMES E. CILE

Subject: *Parasited with HOWARD R. HUGHES*
MELVIN T. HARRIS - Suspect

Victim

Offense

Alleged Forgery

Place and date of offense

Brief Facts covering case

(See previous letter)

Document Exams

D-761230025

Prev. exams this case



Yes



No

Evid. located

Room 8 31st

Report to be directed to

(See above)

Copies to

—

Evidence to be returned to

Addressee

Date of hearing, grand jury, trial, or reason why expeditious handling is necessary

Evidence

KS

*Nine sheets of ruled white paper, each bearing the known
writings of HOWARD R. HUGHES, further described as follows:
first page; dated 3/16/63, beginning "Bob - You are my..."*

Second page; beginning "Then, this might lead..."

Third page; beginning "The Treasury of a..."

Fourth page; beginning "Bob, I have cont..." and dated "Stanley 3/17/63"

Fifth page; beginning "Price: \$1,200,000..."

*Sixth page; beginning "Bob, could this..."
and bearing the notation "received in
Office 3/26/63"*

*Seventh page; dated 4/2/63, and beginning "Bob -
I have information..."*

*Eighth page; dated 4/23/63, beginning "Bob -
I don't think..."*

Ninth page; beginning "established that we..."

(This space for blocking)

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Laboratory Work Sheet

To: Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

LAB. NO. D-770107041 PFMS

Re: PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES; YOUR NO.
MELVIN DUEMAR, SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

Examination by:

b7C

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Letter 1/3/77

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received: 1/6/77

K6 Returned to Direct

3-1-77 jf

(See D-761214091)

K6

The State of Nevada: County of Clark document beginning
"KNOW ALL MEN..." bearing the signature of HOWARD R.
HUGHES

dated 3/24/67,

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SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNIT
WORK REQUEST

Request by [REDACTED] b7C Ext. _____ Rm. _____
Photographer 1 Lab. # _____
Date Recd. 1/10/77 File # _____
Items Recd. K6 2 photos Deadline _____

Recd. by [signature]
REQUEST

LATENT

☐ Yes☒ No

WORK PERFORMED

Prints
Repair
Conceal
Nego.
Prints
Hours
Items Retd. to - date _____ Date Completed _____ Initials _____

photod 8x10 VPI

Code uc bNo. 770-0046

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Request by [REDACTED] b7C Ext. 4432 Rm. 3238
Photographer [REDACTED] Lab. # [REDACTED]
Date Recd. 1/17/77 File # 95 211845
Deadline 1/17/77
Items Recd. 1 letter K8

Recd. by
1/17

REQUEST

Photograph 1 + 1 front only

LATENT

☐ Yes☒ No

Prints

WORK PERFORMED

Equip.

Repair

Conceal

Negs.

Prints

Hours

Items Retd. to - date 1/17/77

Date Completed

Initials

Code [REDACTED]No. 271-1091



STATE OF NEVADA
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
CAPITOL COMPLEX

SUPREME COURT BUILDING
CARSON CITY 89710

ROBERT LIST
ATTORNEY GENERAL

January 11, 1977

Unknown Subject
b7C [REDACTED]
HANDWRITING EXAMINER
770117001

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20537

Attention: F.B.I. Laboratory
Special Attention: Mr. James Lile, Questioned Documents Section

re: Our file No. 205-357

Dear Jim:

Please find enclosed one document beginning: "Bill, enclosed is a M.O. for \$50.00 for the bill I owe...", dated January 20, 1975 and signed, "Melvin E. Dumar".

Also find enclosed a copy of a portion of a transcript taken from Melvin Dumar's deposition, in which he indicates that this note was handwritten by [REDACTED] and signed by himself.

Please use this note to assist you with a handwriting comparison of the documents already submitted to you and the handwriting of [REDACTED]

Again, my thanks for your assistance in this investigation.

Sincerely,

1 ROBERT LIST, Esq.
2 Attorney General

KB Piece of paper bearing
signature of MELVIN E.
DUMMAR and bearing

BG:lt
Enc.

writing of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

By *Bruce Greenhalgh*
Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

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Letter 4/4/77. See 95-211845-12.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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LATENTS

To: Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

Re: Purported Will of Howard R. Hughes;
Melvin Dumar - Suspect;
Alleged Forgery

FBI FILE NO. 95-211345

LAB. NO. D-770117099 PP/AS

YOUR NO. #205-357

Examination by:

[REDACTED] b7C
220

Examination requested by:

Addressee

Reference:

Letter 143/77

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Specimens received:

1/17/77

(See D-761214091)

K9

One-page typewritten proxy and two pages of questions and answers bearing writing of HOWARD R. HUGHES; the two pages of questions and answers also bearing inked fingerprint impressions

date 11/14/70 (Original of QCT)

K9 to CFFS 4/14/77
orig K9 to CFFS 4/14/77

7-97 (Rev. 2-27-74)

SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNIT
WORK REQUEST

Request by [REDACTED] b7C Ext. Rm.
 Photographer [REDACTED] Sub. #
 Date Recd. 1/18/77 File # 95-211845
 Deadline 1/18/77
 Items Recd. K9 - 3 doc.

Recd. by

cug

REQUEST

as is p-100 - prints only

LATENT

☐ Yes☒ No

Prints

WORK PERFORMED

Photographed documents 1 to 1 on
11x14 Ettepan; made contact
prints of the negatives.

Equip.

Repair

Conceal

Nega.

5

Prints

15

Hours

3

Items Recd. to - date

all

Date Completed

1-21-77

Initials

llCode No. 270-0097

Received from [REDACTED] ^{b7C} FBI Laboratory, Washington, D. C.
the following documents:

- (1) Signed proxy from Howard R. Hughes
for the Sands, Inc., dated 11/14/70.
- (2) Two pages consisting of twelve typewritten
questions and handwritten answers signed on each page by
Howard R. Hughes. Each page bears inked fingerprint impressions.

Spindel Shinnick
Jan. 21, 77

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1/12/77 See 95-211845-14

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January 10, 1977

NEW YORK OFFICE
ONE STATE STREET PLAZA
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10004
(212) 425-0500

MESSERS. DAVIS AND COX
NOT ADMITTED IN CALIF.

Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator
Office of the Attorney General
Capitol Complex
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Mr. Greenhalgh:

Pursuant to my telephone conversation this afternoon with Attorney General List, there are transmitted herewith the following original documents:

1) One-page "proxy" containing the original signature of Howard R. Hughes, dated November 14, 1970, witnessed by Levar B. Myler and notarized by Howard L. Eckersley. (This document is stamped and was utilized as defendant's Exhibit Q in the December 1970 court proceedings before Judge Howard Babcock.)

2) Two-page document consisting of 12 typewritten questions and handwritten answers thereto together with signatures and fingerprints of Howard R. Hughes. This document was prepared by Mr. Hughes during the middle part of January 1972. It was personally witnessed by Mr. Myler.

It is our understanding that both of the enclosed documents are needed by your office in connection with official matters and that they will also be the subject of superficial inspection by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory for purposes of handwriting and possibly fingerprint analysis. It is our further understanding that neither document will be subjected to any test which may affect or impair the document or its content in any way, and that both documents will be returned to us as soon as the State's requirements are satisfied.

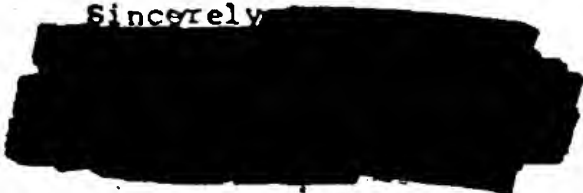
Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
January 10, 1977
Page Two

Moreover, the second document, which is currently an exhibit in pending federal court proceedings in Salt Lake City, must be back in our possession in advance of the resumption of court proceedings which are now scheduled for the morning of Monday, January 24. I would appreciate your telephoning me at the above office this week or at my New York office thereafter so that we may arrange appropriate logistics for a timely return, at least as to the second document.

At the request of Mr. List, I am also attempting to obtain the release of the original 3-page "Dear Chester and Bill" letter which was originally used as an exhibit in the proceedings before Judge Babcock and which is currently an exhibit held by the U.S. District Court at Los Angeles in connection with litigation between Summa Corporation and Robert A. Maheu. Apparently, counsel for Mr. Maheu is unwilling to agree to the release of that document except pursuant to terms and formalities which will inevitably delay its release. As I have informed Mr. List, our handwriting expert, Lyndal L. Shaneyfelt, who was formerly with the FBI Laboratory until his retirement in 1975, has personally photographed the original document, and if it would be of any assistance, I would be happy to arrange for Mr. Shaneyfelt to provide a photographic copy for interim use.

I would appreciate your signing and returning the enclosed copy of this letter to acknowledge both your receipt of the enclosed items and your confirmation of the conditions and restrictions contained therein.

Sincerely



b7C

HMJ:mks
Encs

cc: Hon. Robert List

REGISTERED MAIL,
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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1/18/77
tkl

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

NO LAB FILE

To: SAC, Las Vegas (46-603)

Re: MELVIN DUNBAR, aka;
UNSUBS, aka;
ESTATE OF HOWARD R. HUGHES,
ESTATE DECEASED;
FAG-CONSPIRACY

OO: Las Vegas

UNSUBS; *see other file*
CARSON CITY, NEVADA;
FRAUD

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

LAB. NO. D-770118050 *RE
FILE*

YOUR NO.

Examination by: *[redacted]* b7C
FILE

Examination requested by:

Las Vegas

Reference:

Airtel 1/13/77

Examination requested:

Document

Specimens received:

1/17/77

*K10 returned to LV, 2/24/77.
JEF*

(See D-761214091)

K10 Sixty-four sheets of paper bearing writings of HOWARD R. HUGHES

7-97 (Rev. 2-27-74)

SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNIT
WORK REQUEST

Request by

Ext.

Rm.

Photographer

Lab. #

Date Recd.

File #

Items Recd.

Deadline

Recd. by

REQUEST

LATENT

☐ Yes☒ No

Prints

WORK PERFORMED

Equip.

Repair

Conceal

Negs.

Prints

Hours

Items Retd. to - date

Date Completed

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No.

70-6102

1/13/77

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY
FILE NUMBER 95-211845)

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (46-603) (P)

SUBJECT: MELVIN DUMMAR, aka;
UNSUBS, aka;
ESTATE OF HOWARD R. HUGHES,
ESTATE DECEASED;
FAG-CONSPIRACY
OO: LAS VEGAS

UNSUBS;
CARSON CITY, NEVADA
FRAUD

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Enclosed herewith for the Laboratory are ⁶⁴~~63~~ yellow legal pages of handwriting of the late HOWARD R. HUGHES.

⁶⁴~~63~~ The USA, Las Vegas, provided the enclosed pages of handwriting of HOWARD R. HUGHES and advised that perhaps they should be forwarded to the FBI Laboratory in view of the fact that some examination is being made of the so called "Mormon Will" by the Laboratory. The USA stated that the enclosed handwriting has been authenticated by HOWARD HUGHES during his life time when a trial was held regarding the Air West Stock Case.

It is unknown to the Las Vegas Office the specific investigation being conducted by the Laboratory for the Attorney General in Carson City and this material is being forwarded for whatever information the Laboratory can make of the handwriting.

At the conclusion of examination, the handwriting exemplars should be returned to the Las Vegas Office.

② - Bureau (Enc. 63)
1 - Las Vegas.
JRK:arw
(3)

K10 Sixty-four sheets of paper bearing writing of Howard R. Hughes

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Work Sheet

To: Office of the Attorney General
Carson City, Nevada

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

LAB. NO. D-770121045 PF NS

YOUR NO. (See D-7612140)

Re: MELVIN DUMMAR - SUSPECT;
PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD...
HUGHES -- VICTIM;
ALLEGED FORGERY

Examination by: [REDACTED]

2165 b7C

K11 Returned to Invest. 3-1-77. Jij

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Evidence personally delivered by Bruce Greenhalgh

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received: Specimens personally delivered on 1/21/77 by *Chief Investigator*
Bruce Greenhalgh:

K11 Three page handwritten letter on yellow legal sized paper, beginning on first page "Dear Chester and Bill -...", and ending on third page "Howard R. Hughes"

7-97 (Rev. 2-27-74)

SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNIT
WORK REQUEST

Request by [REDACTED] Ext. b7C Rm.
Photographer [REDACTED] Lab. #
Date Recd. 1/21/77 File # 95-211245
Deadline
Items Recd. 2 documents (K11)

Recd. by

REQUEST

as is prints

LATENT

☐ Yes☒ No

Prints

WORK PERFORMED

Photographed documents 1st
on 11/14 800pm Made contact
prints of the negatives.

Equip.

Repair

Conceal

Negs.

Prints

Hours

Items Retd. to - date

Date Completed

Initials


Code

No.

H. H. [unclear]77-1108

945 1/20/77

Received from Mr. Bruce
Greenhalgh a three page
handwritten letter on yellow
legal paper, beginning on first
page "Dear Clinton and Bill..."
and signed on third page
"Howard R. Hughes"

 b7C
FBI Laboratory
Washington, D.C.

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1/20/77

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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FILE
2/22/77

To: Robert List, Esq.
Attorney General
300 South Fourth Street, Suite 811
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

Attention: [REDACTED] b7C

LAB. NO. D-770224029 MS

Re: Investigator

YOUR NO.

PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES;
MELVIN DUMMAR - SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

Examination by:

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Letter 2/17/77

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received:

K12 Sheet of yellow ruled paper bearing the known
handwriting of [REDACTED] b7C

(See D-761214091)

Photo'd
2/24/77

STATE OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
300 SOUTH STREET
ALBANY, NEW YORK 12242

ROBERT LIST
ATTORNEY GENERAL

LYLE RIVERA
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

February 17, 1977

*Supposed will of Howard R. Hughes;
Melvin Summer - Suspect;
alleged forgery*

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C. 20537

Attention: FBI Laboratory

Special Attention: J. Edgar Hoover
Quincy, Illinois

Dear Mr. Lyle:

Please find enclosed [redacted] b7C

Please use these to assist in your handwriting
comparison for the [redacted]

WRH/gv
Enclosures

K12 Sheet of yellow ruled paper bearing
the known handwriting of
[redacted] b7C

(Best Copy Available - See 95-211845-23.)

RECORDED
2/24/77
rlc*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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FILE
2/22/77

To: Robert List, Esq.
Attorney General
300 South Fourth Street, Suite 811
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101
Attention: [REDACTED] b7C
Re: Investigator
FBI FILE NO. 95-211645
LAB. NO. D-770224029 MS
YOUR NO.

PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES;
MELVIN DUMMAR - SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

Examination by:

Examination requested by: Addressee
Reference: Letter 2/17/77
Examination requested: Document
Specimens received:

K12 Sheet of yellow ruled paper bearing the known
handwriting of [REDACTED] b7C

Retained
3/11/77

RECORDED
12/17/76
fdb

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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~~LAB FILE~~
12/14/76

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To:

Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

FBI FILE NO. *95-211845*

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

LAB. NO. D-761214091 *EE MS*

Re:

PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES;
MELVIN DUFFAR - SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

YOUR NO. 205-357

Examination by:

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Letter 12/8/76

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received: 12/14/76

Retained
3/11/77
off

- Qc1 Photocopy of Q1
- Qc2 Photocopy of Q2
- Qc3 Photocopy of handwritten note beginning "Dear Mr _____
Mc Kay..."
- Qc4 Photocopies of a three page handwritten document
beginning "Last will and testament..." and signed
"Howard R. Hughes" on each page
- Qc5 Photocopy of handwritten note beginning "50-3..."
- Qc6 Photocopy of page two of typewritten letter bearing
signature "Howard R. Hughes"
- Qc7 Photocopy of proxy certificate dated 11/14/1970 bearing
signature "Howard R. Hughes"
- Kc1 Photocopies of application for employment, authorization
note, and voluntary statement all bearing writing of
MELVIN DUTCHER
- Kc2 Photocopy of "Application to Rent" bearing writing of
[REDACTED]
- Kc3 Photocopy of two page letter bearing writing of
[REDACTED]
- b7C

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1-17-77
dcb

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To: Robert List, Esq.,
Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

LAB. NO. D-770117001 PF

Re:

YOUR NO. File 205-357

~~UNKNOWN SUBJECT -~~

~~HANDWRITING EXAMINATION~~

*Requested Will of Howard P. Hughes;
Milton Eisenhower - Subject;
Alvin Karpis*

Examination by:

b7C

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Letter 1-11-77

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received: 1-17-77

K8

Piece of paper bearing signature of MELVIN E. DUMMAR
and bearing writing of ~~_____~~

b7C

*Returned
3/14/77*

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 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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To: Office of the Attorney General
 Supreme Court Building
 Carson City, Nevada 89701

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
 Chief Investigator

FBI FILE NO. 95-211345
 LAB. NO. D-770117093 PF
 YOUR NO. #205-357

Re: Purported Will of Howard R. Hughes;
 Helvin Dinnar - Suspect;
 Alleged Forgery

Examination by: [REDACTED]

b7C

Examination requested by:

Addressee

Reference:

Letter 1/13/77

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Specimens received:

1/17/77

K9

One-page typewritten proxy and two pages of questions and answers bearing writing of HOWARD R. HUGHES; the two pages of questions and answers also bearing inked fingerprint impressions

Will process and return
 evidence to [REDACTED]

b7C

Evidence returned
 to Gerald Shover
 1/24/77

Outgoing 1/24/77
 [REDACTED]

RECORDED
1/18/77
tkl

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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To: SAC, Las Vegas (46-603)

Re: MELVIN DUMMAR, aka;
UNSUBS, aka;
ESTATE OF HOWARD R. HUGHES,
ESTATE DECEASED;
FAG-CONSPIRACY

OO: Las Vegas

UNSUBS;
CARSON CITY, NEVADA;
FRAUD

FBI FILE NO.

95-211845

LAB. NO.

D-770118050 P3

YOUR NO.

Examination by:

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Examination requested by:

Las Vegas

Reference:

Airtel 1/13/77

Examination requested:

Document

Specimens received:

1/17/77

*Returned to FOI JV, 2/24/77.
jg*

K10 Sixty-four sheets of paper bearing writing of HOWARD R.
HUGHES

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SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNIT
WORK REQUESTRequest by LILE Ext. 4406 Rm. 3161

Photographer _____ Lab. # _____

Date Recd. _____ File # 95-211845

Deadline _____

Items Recd. _____

Recd. by _____

REQUEST

One on Eye - Fronts only, ~~lefts~~

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☐ Yes☒ No

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Hours _____

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To: Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

LAB. NO. D-761230025 MS

Re: PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES;
MELVIN DUNBAR, ~~MR~~ SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

YOUR NO.

Examination by: LILE

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Letter received 12/29/76

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received: 12/29/76

Specimenx personally delivered by Mxx Chief Investigator Bruce Greenhalgh on 12/29/76

~~K1~~ K5 Nine sheets of ruled yellow paper, each bearing the known writings of HOWARD R. ~~EHUGHES~~, further described as follows:

First page; dated "3/16/68", beginning "Bob - You ask my..."

Second page; beginning "Then, & this might lead..."

Third page; beginning "the treaury of a..."

Fourth page; beginning "Bob, I have not..." and dated "Sterdust 3/17/68"

Fifth page; beginning "Price: 31,200,000..."

Sixth page; beginning "Bob, several things..."

and bearing the notation "received in office 3/25/68"

Seventh page; dated "4/9/68"; beginning "Bob- I have information..."

Eighth page; dated "4/23/68," beginning "Bob-I dont think..."

Ninth page; beginning "establish that we..."

Returned to [redacted]

3/1/77

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1/10/77
B/g

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To: Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

LAB. NO. D-770107041 PT

Re: PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES; YOUR NO.
MELVIN DULMAR, SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

Examination by: [REDACTED] b7C

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Letter 1/3/77

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received: 1/6/77

K6

The State of Nevada: County of Clark document beginning
"KNOW ALL MEN..." bearing the signature of HOWARD R.
HUGHES

Returned to [REDACTED] b7C
3/1/77

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1/11/77
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Office of the Attorney General
Capitol Complex
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

Re: PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES;
MELVIN DUNHAM - SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

LAB. NO. D-770111040 MS

YOUR NO. 205-357

Examination by: LILE

Examination requested by: Addressee
Reference: Letter 1/4/77
Examination requested: Document
Specimens received: 1/10/77

K7 Three-page typewritten agreement, the third page bearing
the signature of HOWARD R. HUGHES 12-147-1-6

Returned to [redacted] 3/1/77
[redacted] b7c

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FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

LAB. NO. D-770111040 MS

Re:

YOUR NO. 205-357

PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R. HUGHES;
MELVIN DUMMAR - SUSPECT;
ALLEGED FORGERY

Examination by: LILE

K7 Returned to Invest.

Examination requested by: Addressee

~~REDACTED~~ b7C
3-1-77. gj

Reference: Letter 1/4/77

Examination requested: Document

(Sec D-761214091)

Specimens received: 1/10/77

K7 Three-page typewritten agreement, the third page bearing
the signature of HOWARD R. HUGHES

dated 5/31/68

7-97 (Rev. 2-27-74)

SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC UNIT
WORK REQUEST

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Request by [REDACTED] b7C Ext. _____ Rm. _____
Photographer _____ Lab. # _____
Date Recd. 1/12/77 File # 95-211845
Deadline _____
Items Recd. 167

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REQUEST

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LATENT

☐ Yes☒ No

Prints

WORK PERFORMED

Photographed on Etapean 1 to 1.
Made contact prints of the
negative.

Equip.

Repair

Conceal

Negs.

Prints

Hours

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Date Completed

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See 95-211845-11.

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Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City, Nevada 89710

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

LAB. NO. D-770117001 PFM.S

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT -

YOUR NO. File 205-357

HANDWRITING EXAMINATION

*Supported Will of Howard R. Hughes;
Melvin Dummar - Suspect;*

Examination by:

[Redacted] b7C

Alleged Forgery

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Letter 1-11-77

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received: 1-17-77

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(See D-761214091)

K8

Handwritten note dated 6/20/75
contains
Piece of paper bearing signature of MELVIN E. DUMMAR
and bearing writing of *[Redacted] b7C*

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klt

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Work Sheet

To: Office of the Attorney General
Carson City, Nevada

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845

LAB. NO. D-770121045 PF

YOUR NO.

Re: MELVIN DUMMAR - SUSPECT;
PURPORTED WILL OF HOWARD R.
HUGHES - VICTIM;
ALLEGED FORGERY

Examination by: [REDACTED]

b7C

L.I.C.

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Evidence personally delivered by Bruce Greenhalah

Examination requested: Document

Specimens received: Specimens personally delivered on 1/21/77 by
Bruce Greenhalah:

K11 Three page handwritten letter on yellow legal
sized paper, beginning on first page "Dear Chester
and Bill -...", and ending on third page
"Howard R. Hughes"

Returned

qo

b7C

3/1/77

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2/24/77 to Las Vegas

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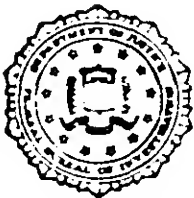
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

① - Mr. Lile

December 27, 1976

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 95-211845

To: Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator
Carson City, Nevada 89710

RE: Purported Will of Howard
R. Hughes; Melvin Dumar -
Suspect ; Alleged Forgery

From: Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

The FBI Laboratory has received the evidence which you sent for examination in connection with the above-entitled case. A Laboratory report will be sent to you after the examination has been completed.

If any developments occur in this case such as dismissal of charges or guilty pleas which would eliminate the necessity for conducting the requested examinations, please advise the FBI Laboratory immediately.

Enclosed for your possible assistance are sixteen color photographs, representing two photographs each of both sides of the envelope and three-page handwritten will which were delivered to this Laboratory by Mr. Greenhalgh on 12/21/76.

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Director, F. B. I.
October 15, 1976
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It would be greatly appreciated if the processed documents might be preserved in such a manner as to facilitate later handwriting comparisons which might be requested by this office.

// I would appreciate as expeditious a handling as possible, due to court hearings that are very near. //

Sincerely,


Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

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Encls.

- Q1 - Envelope bearing the handwritten address "President
Spencer W. Kimball Church of Jesus Christ Salt Lake
City, Utah"
- Q2 - accompanying slip of paper bearing the handwritten message
beginning "This was found..."

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Laboratory Work Sheet

To: Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Carson City 89710

Attention: Mr. Bruce Greenhalgh
Chief Investigator

Re: MELVIN F. DUMMAR AND [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SUBJECTS;
HANDWRITING EXAMINATION

FBI FILE NO. 95-211845
LAB. NO. D-761019115 PV
YOUR NO. 205-357

Examination by: [REDACTED] b7C

Examination requested by:

Addressee

Reference:

Letter 10/15/76

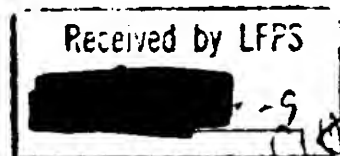
Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Specimens received:

10/19/76

*Q1 & Q2 with Cert. by
LFPS w/ report dated
11/9/76 R.F.*



"Evidence to be
returned by LFP"
[Signature]
10-21-76

- Q1 Envelope bearing the handwritten address "President Spencer W Kimball Church of Jesus Christ Salt Lake City, Utah"
- Q2 Accompanying slip of paper bearing the handwritten message beginning "This was found..."

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FILE DESCRIPTION

SUBJECT Howard Robard Hughes

FILE NO. 95-21845-84 Bulky

Memorandum



To : Assistant Director *RPZ/le*
Records Management Division

Date 3/6/81

From : Assistant Director
Laboratory Division

Subject : *my* Estate of Howard Hughes

Howard R. Hughes

There is enclosed the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above-captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure to the main file in the Records Services Section.

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Support for 'Dear Chester and Bill'

A Nevada court accepted the letter at right as the crucial evidence that Hughes wanted Maheu replaced. Written in early December, and slightly abridged here, it is addressed to Hughes's attorney, Chester Davis, and to Frank W. ("Bill") Gay, senior vice president of Hughes Tool Company, the parent corporation of the Hughes empire. In it Hughes affirms his board of directors' decision "to terminate all relationship with Maheu" and his security chief, Jack Hooper. But Maheu subsequently filed a \$50 million counterclaim contending that he had a verbal contract for life. Rather than appear in person to deny it, Hughes may choose to settle out of court.



Dear Chester and Bill -

I do not understand why the problem of Maheu is not yet fully settled and why this bad publicity seems to continue. It could hurt our company's valuable properties in Nevada and also the entire state.

You told me that, if I called Governor Laxalt and District Attorney George Franklin, it would put an end to this problem.

I made those calls, but I do not understand why this very damaging publicity should continue merely because the properly constituted board of directors of Hughes Tool Company decided, for reasons that I considered best to terminate

city chief Jack Hooper. Mr. Mahon subsequently filed a \$50 million counterclaim contending that he had a verbal contract for life. Rather than appear in person to deny it, Hughes may choose to settle out of court.



CHESTER DAVIS



BILL GAY

I made these calls, and I do not understand why this very damaging public should continue merely because the property constituted board of directors of Hughes Tool Company decided, for reasons that considered just, to terminate all relationship with Mahon and Hooper.

I asked you to take whatever action is necessary to accomplish the objects briefly outlined above.

I ask you now please to inform the members of the board of Hughes Tool Company of my desires and feelings in respect to this matter.

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The hand of a man 'going his own way'

Without identifying the writer, LFT asked Alfred Kanfer, one of the country's foremost specialists in scientific handwriting analysis, to study portions of the letter at left and other samples of Hughes's writing. Mr. Kanfer's comments follow:

Here is an intellect of quite a peculiar nature. The writing shows not one superfluous stroke. The writer is capable of developing original ideas, he has an imaginative mind which works fast and is capable of swift changes and improvisation.

He keeps a very small, highly uniform margin throughout, indicating that he is not concerned with form and formalities, at least not beyond a certain minimum point of order and decency. He is anxious not to waste any time or effort on anything he does not think is essential for his main interests. As he runs from one end to the other of a long sheet of paper, so he may be running through his life, his work. He may perhaps be driven, rather than be running on his own.

The paper is densely filled with writing, yet there are broad spaces between words.

It is not my wish to
try to tell the board
what action should be
taken. That is their job.
But it seems there has
been some uncertainty
as to where I stand, and
I want this cleared up
at once.

I do not support Nathan
or Stoper in their
defiance of the Hughes Tool
Company Board of Directors,
and I deeply desire all
concerned to be fully
aware of this immediately.

I ask you to do every-
thing in your power to
put an end to these prob-
lems, and further I ask
you to obtain immediately
a full accounting of any

aware of this minor detail.

I ask you to do everything in your power to put an end to these problems, and further I ask you to obtain immediately a full accounting of any

and all funds and/or property to which Mr. Nathan may have had access.

As I have said, This matter has caused me the very gravest concern, and is damaging my company and all the loyal men and women associated with me in the very deepest and far-reaching way.

With genuine regards,

Edward R. D. Lusk

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He keeps a very small, highly uniform margin throughout, indicating that he is not concerned with form and formalities, at least not beyond a certain minimum point of order and decency. He is anxious not to waste any time or effort on anything he does not think is essential for his main interests. As he runs from one end to the other of a long sheet of paper, so he may be running through his life, his work. He may perhaps be driven, rather than be running on his own.

The paper is densely filled with writing, yet there are broad spaces between words. Here is a lively personality, a lively mind, deeply involved in plans and in ideas. Perhaps also in ideals. Yet he is not involved with people. He thinks his own thoughts, goes his own way, does not believe in anyone, does not communicate his inner fears and feelings. With all the activity and involvement, this might be a lonely man.

It is hard to determine what his driving motives are. Not honors and recognition, nor the desire for possessions, although there is a sound materialism here and an ability to enjoy life in an earthy way. It is more the need to act, to move in a free and grand manner, to work, to organize. He has the ability to use clear, sharp logic in order to manage people. He will use diplomatic skill to cajole them, can display cutting barbs and, when his patience runs short, he may also resort to primitive vulgarity.

Hidden in this personality are some spots of sentimentality, warmth and perhaps weakness. One could think that from his drives, resistance may mount around him. His physical and mental strength may already have been overstrained.

Letters from the invisible billionaire

With sincere regards

Howard Hughes hardly ever sees any of his own associates face-to-face. Characteristically he deals with them and with his problems by taking a lined yellow pad and writing letters about whatever happens to be on his mind. Over the years, ex-FBI agent Robert Maheu (right) received quite a number of these communications on a wide variety of subjects. Maheu was the \$500,000-a-year manager of Hughes's \$300 million hotel and casino operation in Las Vegas. Then, late last year, Hughes decided to get rid of Maheu. He didn't fire Maheu personally (in fact, the two never met). He had the job done by subordinates in his \$2 billion aviation, real estate, electronics and tool-making

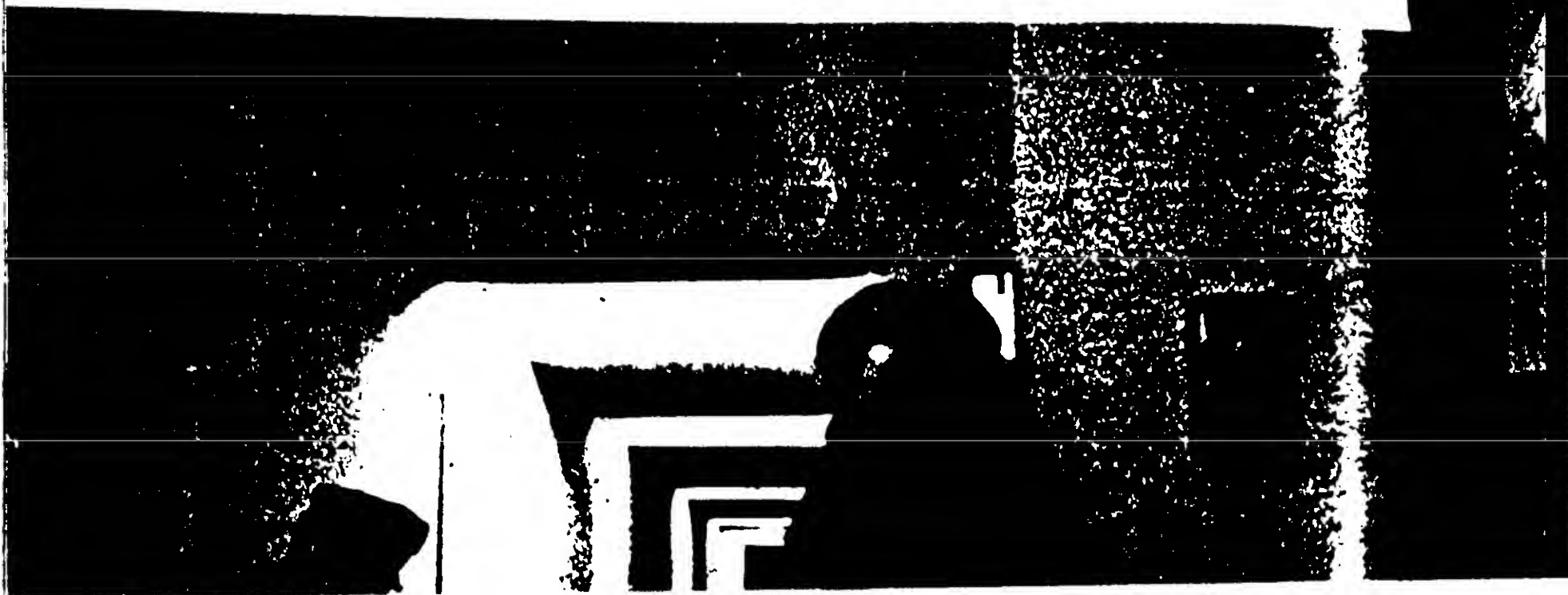
empire. Maheu went to court, claiming that Hughes had not meant him to be fired. Two other Hughes associates, Chester Davis and Bill Gay, then produced a letter, signed by Hughes's name (p. 26), which showed that he had. Legal experts were retained: Maheu's said the letter was a forgery; Davis and Gay's said it was real. The court chose to believe the latter and Maheu was out of a job. Hughes, meanwhile, camped with pad and pen to a new retreat in the desert (below), leaving behind a trail of letters (only one of which is legally able to publish in full). Taken together, they cast a new and revealing light on this most elusive, light-

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Howard Hughes





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Hughes's hideaway is a ninth-floor suite in the Britannia Beach Hotel on Paradise Island in the Bahamas. There a guard armed with a comic book keeps the curious at bay. At right, Robert Ma-

heu, former manager of Hughes's Las Vegas, retains a portrait of the man who fired him. Maheu apparently incurred Hughes's displeasure by living too well, producing profits too

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